

ASSOCIATION EUROPÉENNE DES MÉDECINS DES HÔPITAUX **EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF SENIOR HOSPITAL PHYSICIANS** EUROPÄISCHE VEREINIGUNG DER LEITENDEN KRANKENHAUSÄRZTE **EUROPESE VERENIGING VAN STAFARTSEN** DEN EUROPÆISKE OVERLÆGEFORENING ΕΥΡΩΠΑΪΚΟΣ ΣΥΛΛΟΓΟΣ ΝΟΣΟΚΟΜΕΙΑΚΩΝ ΙΔΤΡΩΝ ΔΙΕΥΘΥΝΤΩΝ ASSOCIAZIONE EUROPEA DEI MEDICI OSPEDALIERI **DEN EUROPEISKE OVERLEGEFORENING** ASSOCIAÇÃO EUROPEIA DOS MÉDICOS HOSPITALARES ASOCIACIÓN EUROPEA DE MÉDICOS DE HOSPITALES **EUROPEISKA ÖVERLÄKARFÖRENINGEN** EVROPSKO ZDRŽENJE BOLNIŠNIČNIH ZDRAVINIKOV **EUROPSKA ASOCIACIA NEMOCNICNÝCH LEKAROV** EUROPSKA UDRUGA BOLNIČKIH LIJEČNIKA ЕВРОПЕЙСКА АСОЦИАЦИЯ НА СТАРШИТЕ БОЛНИЧНИ ЛЕКАРИ ASOCIATIA EUROPEANA A MEDICILOR DIN SPITALE

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Draft Minutes 69th AEMH Board meeting

29 May 2014, 9:00 -12:30

Venue: Hotel Scandic Hasselbacken, Hazeliusbacken 20, 100 55 Stockholm

Participants:

Joao de Deus, President Thomas Zilling, 1st Vice-President Vlad Tica, 3rd Vice-President Hrvoje Sobat, Treasurer Catherine Hartmann, European Policy Advisor Diana Voicu, Secretary

Welcome and introduction of Diana Voicu, Executive Secretary/ Office Manager of the AEMH and FEMS as from 2nd May 2014

The new secretary was introduced, who has taken over the joint secretariat of AEMH/FEMS from 2nd of May 2014.

2. Approval of the Agenda

AEMH 14-019

The agenda was unanimously approved.

3. Define ways to honour the Memory of Dr Mikulas Buzgo

(Awarding posthumously the AEMH Asclepilus medal)

It was decided that in the opening of the GA, Joao De Deus will honour the memory of Dr Buzgo, next the letter from Dr Buzgo's family will be read by the Slovakian delegate and further, Joao De Deus will hand him over the medal for Dr Buzgos's family.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the 68th AEMH Board Meeting Catania 8 February 2014

AEMH 14-009

The minutes where approved with the comment that it was not Joao De Deus that went to the Turkish Cyprus, but Enrico Reginato.

5. President's Report

a) List of Documents 2013

AEMH 14-001

b) AEMH Activity Report 2013-14

AEMH 14-022

To the activity report, Joao De Deus mentioned that, at the IDC'sPan-EuropeanHealthcareExecutiveSummit 2013 in London, he made a presentation on the integration between primary and secondary care using information technologies. He further made some comments on the meeting with Commissioner Tonio Borg, organised by FEMS on 19 May 2014. On this occasion, on behalf of AEMH, he stressed the issue of doctors' immigration (for better working conditions and salaries) as well as the issue of the CPD. As in many countries, doctors cannot afford CPD, he suggested that the Commission should organize a programme for doctors willing to undertake training abroad (like Erasmus programme for students, for instance). He also raised the issue of task-shifting, which is dangerous for patients. He expressed thanks to Enrico Reginato for giving AEMH this opportunity of presenting its views to the Commission.

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Vlad Tica raised the issue of the AEMH being the partner of the Commission in one or several areas of expertise – to be defined. Hospital management and clinical leadership were two examples in point.

Catherine Hartman suggested that the Board and GA should attempt to identify these issues by November, when the new Commissioner/Commission takes office. She said AEMH could be introduced either as part of a coalition (together with CPME, for instance) or as an individual organisation. AEMH may also chose to act both ways, i.e. be part of a delegation and advance its own files.

Vlad Tica said it is important to decide on these issues as soon as possible. Some meetings should be budgeted to this aim. He also mentioned the issue of the percentage of GDP allocated to health, which is a political issue and may be a target for lobbying. The average of EU allocation for health should be targeted.

Joao de Deus gave the example of the Netherlands, which have instantly became the leader in healthcare quality upon raising the GDP share allocated to healthcare to 12%.

Thomas Zilling also pointed out the issue of corruption in healthcare, which may also be of interest to the AEMH to show to the Commission.

Vlad Tica insisted that it is impossible to address corruption unless decent finances are secured.

c) President's Report

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6. 1st Vice-President's Report, Thomas Zilling

a) UEMS CME Conference, Brussels 28 February 2014 and Meeting EPHA
 (European Public Health Alliance, EFN (European Federation of Nurses) and
 CPME; Report

Thomas Zilling informed about his participation in the UEMS conference. It was the second UEMS CME conference in Brussels, with about 300 persons attending. UEMS has a new statement on CPD, which does not mention the revalidation process. CPD is very costly for doctors. If the appraisal takes place every 5 years, what happens in between?

Catherine Hartmann mentioned the tender from the EC, where EPHA and CPME are supposed to provide a literature review, pointing out that it is not EPHA that does the data analysis.

Thomas Zilling suggested that a common meeting should be organised on CPD, attended by all EMOs, along the model of the 2006 Luxembourg meeting. The Commission should be targeted to achieve this.

Vlad Tica also insisted that all players should be part of the conference, despite the animosity between CPME and UEMS.

Joao De Deus reiterated AEMH position on CPD: it should not be mandatory. The CME credit point system is not good, as it is not about evaluating the medical quality but about the time spent. He insisted that the decision on the organisation of the CPD should be taken at the national level.

Thomas Zilling said that AEMH may play an important role in organizing such an event – like the one in Luxembourg – by putting together a consensus document. Because of the EC tender, a new consensus document is needed.

Joao De Deus mentioned the fact that it was the decision of the Presidents' Committee to have this conference.

Thomas Zilling suggested that a small working group is needed from the EMOs to prepare a consensus document. He recommended that a draft for an action plan on CPD should be prepared by himself together with Catherine Hartmann.

Joao De Deus said that it is important to invite the new Commissioner to this conference.

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b) FNOMCeO Conference "Clinical Risk – Professional Liability" Modena, 12 April 2014, speaker invitation

7. 3rd Vice-President's Report, Vlad Tica

a) **UEMS** Council meeting Brussels, 12 April 2014 AEMH activities report presented at the meeting

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b) Proposal to take a stand on the UEMS MJC (Multidisciplinary Joint Committee) on "Clinical Skills Training and Assessment – and NASCE (Network of Accredited Clinical Skills Centres in Europa)" NASCE Statutes, NASCE Process of Accreditation and Application for Accreditation

Vlad Tica explained that a new MJC is to be created, as well as accredited clinical skills centres in Europe. The text does not mention accreditation of centres but accreditation of training. He insisted that it was only MJC to be approved, not NASCE. NASCE is about training methods/training simulation. The accreditation fee at the MJC is 3000 euros while the fee to be part of NASCE is only 800 euro.

Joao De Deus agreed that the approval of NASCE was not in question; he said that the Directive for Cross Border Healthcare convicts with the network of centres of excellence. NASCE cannot function.

8. EFMA / WHO Meeting Belgrade 13-14 March 2014, Hrvoje Sobat

Hrvoje Sobat pointed out several issues discussed during the EFMA/WHO meeting (which he attended on behalf of the Medical Chamber), such as the language issue, vaccination, waiting times in the provision of healthcare. The following meeting is to take place in Tbilisi.

9. EMO Collaboration

- a) CPME Conference <u>"Better working conditions better care"</u>
 CPME Board and General Assembly, 4-5 April 2014, outcome in <u>CPME Newsletter April 2014</u>
- b) EMO Presidents Committee Brussels, 6 April 2014 Joao de Deus said that, although the initial idea was to organize the CME CPD conference in Vienna, it is now clear that it cannot be done there.
- c) FEMS Conference <u>"Doctors working Conditions"</u>, Gorizia 8th May Thomas Zilling presented the issue of <u>task-shifting</u>.

FEMS General Assembly, Nova Gorica 9-10 May 2014

d) Action Day of European Doctors 15 May 2014

Joao De Deus gave a short overview on the actions organized on the occasion of the Action Day of European Doctors in Portugal.

10. European Policy Adviser's Activity Report

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by European Policy Adviser, Catherine Hartmann

11. Update on European Affairs

AEMH 14-026

by European Policy Adviser, Catherine Hartmann Catherine Hartmann highlighted the main points in her report.

EC Consultation on the European Professional Card

Draft AEMH Response

AEMH 14-033

Catherine Hartmann inquired whether AEMH is willing to respond to the EC consultation on the European Professional Card. She pointed out that most questions address the national level, while the AEMH mostly acts at the European level.

It was therefore decided not to answer the consultation.

12. Med-e-Tel

Collaboration with the International Society for Telemedecine and eHealth (ISfTeH), Memorandum of Understanding Draft

AEMH 14-034

Joao de Deus pointed out that AEMH is favorable to the signing of the Memorandum. Catherine Hartmann said that the EC puts an enormous focus on e-health and new information technologies.

13. AEMH Office

Structure, Tasks and Duties European Liaison Office

<u>AEMH 12-082</u>

14. Financial Reports by AEMH-treasurer Dr. Hrvoje Sobat

a)	Closing of Accounts 2013	AEMH 14-006
b)	Treasurer's Report 2014	AEMH 13-005
c)	Prevision 2014 and budget 2015	AEMH 14-018

Hrvoje Sobat expressed his thanks to the Portuguese Medical Association for the support to the President's travel costs as well as to professor Claude Degos for supporting the Paris conference. AEMH has a surplus of about 50.000 EUR, therefore the same membership fees will be maintained. He thanked the delegates for paying their fees. In point of costs with interpretation of the GA, he suggested that Spanish and Italian passive translation may be cancelled. He also pointed out the fact that the surplus in the budget may be used for travelling to various meetings, of importance to AEMH.

15. AEMH Conference 2014 – Title (Patients Safety, Anti-microbial resistance)

Conference Programme

16. 67th AEMH Plenary Meeting Agenda

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Election 2nd and 3rd Vice-President

17. International meeting Calendar International EMOs' Calendar

		Attendance AEMH
8-10 October 2014, Paris	FEMS 50 th Anniversary GA	
17- 18/10/2014 (tbc)	UEMS General Assembly	T. Zilling, Vlad Tica
14- 15/11/2014 Budapest (Hungary)	CPME Board and GA	J. De Deus, Vlad Tica
Strasbourg (France) - date to follow	EJD Autumn Meeting 2014	H. Sobat, Vlad Tica
2015 Vienna (Austria)	AEMH-FEMS Joint Meeting	
2015 Vienna (Austria) - date to follow	EJD Spring Meeting 2015	

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10- 11/04/2015 Brussels (Belgium)	UEMS General Assembly	
16- 17/10/2015 Warsaw (Poland)	UEMS General Assembly	
2015 Norway	EJD Autumn Meeting 2015	

18. Next Board Meeting:

It was decided that the next Board meeting should be held in Budapest, on 13 November (further changed to 15 November).

19. Any other business

AEMH enlargement:

As far as the Moldavian National Medical Association is concerned, Vlad Tica suggested that, since it is still under construction and expects to hold elections, it would be better for AEMH to wait for the time being.

Hrvoje Sobat said he expected the Serbian organisation to approach AEMH for membership. They also applied for CPME observer status. AEMH should try and approach them so that they obtain full membership. He also suggested that AEMH approaches the Turkish Medical Association potentially via CPME.

Joao De Deus informed the Board that he would recommend the addition of a point to the GA agenda about the situation of doctors in Portugal, as the Portuguese Medical Association is concerned about patient safety. They will produce a document that will be distributed at the GA.